



# Guidance for voluntary departure of illegal aliens

## MOJ operates voluntary departure program for illegal aliens

- You can report your voluntary departure status to immigration offices at all ports of entry at anytime.

## The advantages of returning home voluntarily

- There will be an exemption from the penalty regardless of the period of overstaying.
- There will be no detention, and you can freely leave the country.
- Depending on the length of time you overstayed, a re-entry ban can be suspended or mitigated.
  - If you were deported as you were caught by the authorities, you would be banned from returning for up to 10 years. However, in voluntary departure cases, there can be no bar to re-enter or an exclusion period can be reduced for up to 2 years.
- When you apply for a re-entry visa from your home country, voluntary departure record will be reflected favorably on your visa application.

## Simple process of voluntary return

- If you choose to return to your home country voluntarily, you should come with a valid passport or a travel document and report your voluntary return status to immigration offices at all ports of entry on your departure date prior to the scheduled departure time.

※ Please arrive at the port of entry at least 4 hours before your flight as you have to report your voluntary departure status.

## Where to contact

- If you have any further inquiries, please contact the Immigration Contact Centre(☎1345).
- Contact number of major immigration offices at ports of entry.



**Incheon Airport** 032-740-7391~2  
**Gimhae** 051-979-1300



**Gimpo** 02-2664-6202  
**Incheon** 032-891-9925, 032-8777-9941

※ If you entered this country using a forged passport or any other abnormal ways, there will be more time needed for verification of identity. In these cases, you should contact and visit Immigration office at ports of entry at least 3 days in advance of your departure date.



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